

RECOGNIZING MAY 17-23 AS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK IN DANE COUNTY

WHEREAS the Dane County Emergency Medical Service regional system is in its 40th year of providing coordinated quality care to the citizens of Dane County, and access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS 1,100 emergency medical technicians, almost half of whom are volunteers, are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, and the members of the emergency medical service teams engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

WHEREAS the Dane County EMS system responded to over 30,000 calls for service in 2014, and has saved more than 279 individuals in Dane County since the defibrillation program began in 1989, including 29 in 2014; and

WHEREAS the American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP), along with other partners, is sponsoring the 39th annual Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week throughout the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Dane County Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes the week of May 17th – 23rd as

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in Dane County, as a tribute to the value and accomplishments of the Dane County Emergency Medical Service providers, including emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Michael Lohmeier and Dr. Michael Mancera, Medical Directors for Dane County EMS and Charles Tubbs, Sr. Director of the Department of Emergency Management, in recognition of the outstanding accomplishments and dedication of the men and women in the Dane County EMS system.